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AMENDMENT AFTER ALLOWANCE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.312

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) due dated May 25, 2006, Applicants hereby submit an Amendment after allowance pursuant to 37 CFR § 1.312 and respectfully request reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

- Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2; and
- Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.